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SUBJECT: U.S. POSITION ON UNGA ALLOCATION ON AGENDA
ITEM ON QUESTION OF CYPRUS TO PLENARY R

REFS: A)USUN 2737; B)ANKARA 6401

1. SINCE 1974, THE HANDLING OF THE CYPRUS ISSUE IN
THE UNGA HAS INVOLVED MANIPULATION OF VARIOUS RULES
OF PROCEDURE. BECAUSE OF THEIR COMPLEXITY, AND OUR
DESIRE TO INSIST THAT ATTENTION BE PAID TO SUBSTANTIVE
QUESTIONS, WE PREFER TO AVOID PREMATURE HAGGLING ON
THESE PROCEDURAL MATTERS.

2. FYI: WHEN ASSISTANT SECRETARY MAYNES WAS ASKED
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FOR U.S. SUPPORT FOR CYPRUS GOVERNMENT POSITION
DURING HIS VISIT TO CYPRUS JULY 22-24, HE COMMENTED
TO GOC FOREIGN MINISTER ON ONLY ONE OF THE PROCEDURAL
QUESTIONS WHICH TYPICALLY ARISE AT THE 32ND GA.
MAYNES STATED THAT THE U.S. POSITION ON TURKISH
CYPRIOT REPRESENTATION WILL BE THE SAME AS LAST YEAR -- WE
WILL NOT SUPPORT TURKISH-CYPRIOT APPEARANCE IN PLENARY

BECAUSE OF OUR POSITION THAT THE PLENARY SHOULD BE
ADDRESSED ONLY BY SPOKESMEN OF MEMBER STATES. WE WILL
SUPPORT TURKISH-CYPRIOIOT APPEARANCE IN THE SPECIAL

POLITICAL COMMITTEE (OR ANY OTHER MAIN COMMITTEE OF THE
GA TO WHICH THE ITEM MIGHT BE REFERRED).

3. IN THAT CONNECTION, WE HAVE NO DIFFICULTY WITH
TURKISH PREFERENCE FOR THE FIRST POLITICAL COMMITTEE
RATHER THAN THE SPECIAL POLITICAL COMMITTEE
(REFTEL B) ALTHOUGH WE DO NOT SHARE THE TURKISH
VIEW THAT ONE IS MORE PRESTIGIOUS THAN THE OTHER.
WHEN THE ISSUE OF ALLOCATION ARISES IN THE GENERAL
COMMITTEE, WE DO NOT EXPECT TO OPPOSE REFERENCE TO
THE FIRST COMMITTEE. THE REAL ISSUE IN THE GENERAL
COMMITTEE, HOWEVER, WILL NOT BE WHETHER THE ITEM IS
EVENTUALLY REFERRED TO THE FIRST OR THE SPECIAL
POLITICAL COMMITTEE, BUT WHETHER IT IS REFERRED
INITIALLY TO THE PLENARY OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.
END FYI.

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